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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

In response to the Final Office Action of June 18, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reexamination and reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments:

**In the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 23, line 25, with the following rewritten paragraph: